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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

Akram et al.

**Serial No.:** 09/653,272

**Filed:** August 31, 2000

**For:** METHOD FOR USING DATA  
REGARDING MANUFACTURING  
PROCEDURES INTEGRATED CIRCUITS  
(IC'S) HAVE UNDERGONE, SUCH AS  
REPAIRS, TO SELECT PROCEDURES THE  
IC'S WILL UNDERGO, SUCH AS  
ADDITIONAL REPAIRS

**Examiner:** Unknown

**Group Art Unit:** 2121

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Sir:

In compliance with the duty to disclose information material to patentability pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. The listed documents are from a related application Serial No. 09/292,655, filed April 14, 1999. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a).

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Applicants offer to supply any explanation or discussion of the documents which the Examiner feels is necessary or desirable and which is requested.

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